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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW  
Washington DC 20160

Subject: 2019 Targeted Airshed Grant Program, EPA-OAR-OAQPS-20-01

To whom it my concern:

Basin Transit Service Transportation District (BTS) supports the Department of Environmental Quality and Klamath County Public Health's application for the Targeted Airshed Grant Program.

As Klamath County's largest public transportation provider, we understand the importance of reducing emissions and helping to contribute to cleaner air in our community. We currently have 13 buses and will be adding 3 more buses during the next year. BTS averages 337,665 miles driven every year. BTS is considering electric or natural gas when we replace buses starting about 2025. Upgrading our fleet to more efficient buses that use renewable energy, we could make a marked impact in the community.

At this time, there are several unknowns such as the cost and where to locate propane fueling or electrical charging stations and logistical questions that need answering, and a feasibility study is a great first step. BTS would gladly partner with Klamath County Public Health on this Targeted Airshed Grant to see this study become a reality so we can intelligently invest in our future.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Michael Stinson  
General Manager

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